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Amendment
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Amendments To The Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 3, beginning on line 22 with the following paragraph:

Second, the water spray is not particularly effective, by itself, in cleaning the cathodes. This is particularly true in respect of any impurities which are stuck to the cathode. Such dirt may tend to stick despite the flow of water over them. Third, the device is awkward and difficult to use, because of the nature of the receiving bin for the stripped sheets.

Please replace the paragraph on page 5, beginning on line 3 with the following paragraph:

the stripping assembly including a lateral stripper, movable across the cathodes in the cathode support frame, for separating an upper edge of a zinc sheet from each of the cathodes, the lateral stripper being adapted to bias away from the cathode immediately upon entering between the zinc sheet and the cathode, and a scraping device, movable in a direction generally perpendicular to a direction of the lateral piercer stripper, for completing removal of the sheet from each said cathode.